

The Coracle

St Davids Cullowhee



December 25, 2022

Called to embody God's love by welcoming everyone who enters
and by empowering all who stay to make a difference in the world.

Happening Soon at St. David's

Saturday, December 24th 4 pm

Service of Lessons and Carols with Holy Eucharist

Sunday Christmas Day

No service

Tuesday at 1 pm

Women of a Certain Age (LOL) meet in the *Gathering Place*

Thursday at 1:30 pm

Needlework/craft interest group

No service on Christmas Day

Please try to remember to pick up your name tag in the *Gathering Place* and wear it in church!

From the Vestry

Dear Friends,

At our December meeting the Vestry discussed various repairs and improvements to the “fabric and grounds.” Junior Warden George Rector gave an update regarding refurbishment of our old “*The Episcopal Church Welcomes You*” sign. Look for it out on NC-107, sometime in 2023!

Budgeting for next year is in process. If you have intended to pledge but just haven't quite gotten around to it—now is the time!

There are a number of parishioners who, for several years, have been interested in seeking a designation for Saint David's Church on the National Register of Historical Places. Stay tuned—you may be hearing a bit more about this in coming months.

May we each and all find moments of quiet peace in these last days of Advent.

Blessings

Betsy Swift, Senior Warden

Donations to the Altar Guild Flower Fund

Wreaths will be purchased from Country Roads Nursery this year. The Altar Guild also purchases poinsettias each Christmas.

If you would like to donate in memory of or thanksgiving for people or animals or other blessings in your life, please make a check out to St. David's with “AG Christmas wreaths/flowers” on the memo line. Give your check to Randi or place it in the alms basin. Three of the 8 wreaths have already been paid for by donations. The wreaths are \$62. If you do not wish to pay for an entire wreath but would like to donate to the Altar Guild Flower Fund, contributions of any size are appreciated.

Email the information you would like in the Christmas Eve bulletin to our [Parish Administrator](#).



Oh my, the challenges of Advent.



Michael Jenkins made sandwiches and fixins' for Coffee Hour. Everyone sat around the tables to enjoy lunch and some good conversations! Isn't Michael's table festive?

Parish News & Notes

Birthdays

Dec 28

Boot Hanks

Dec 30

Brad Ulrich

Anniversaries

Dec 23

Salette & Danny Austin

Dec 27

Margot & Tom Wilcox

Dec 28

Jenny & Brad Reisinger

Healing prayers for Terri Sanger and Wesley Satterwhite as both recover from knee surgeries

The Brown's spent the weekend of the 4th Sunday in Advent with family in Alabama. While there they were able to see their granddaughter's preschool Christmas program where in their opinion Cora stole the show!



A sincere thank you from the editor for your submissions! News items and especially photos are always welcome. Let us know what you are up to or anything of interest to your parish friends. Send items to [Maggie Bowles](#).

St. David's in the Valley, Clergy and Staff

The Right Rev. Jose A. McLoughlin, Bishop
The Rev. Gaelyn Lei Evangreene, Rector
Dr. Lillian Pearson, Organist
Graydon Elliott, Parish Administrator

Serving Christmas Eve

Chalice Bearer, Brad Orvis

Lectors:

Randi Neff

Doug Hanks

Vance Davidson

Margot Wilcox

June Smith

Betsy Swift

Altar Set Up, Muff Lyons

Linens, Gerlinde Lindy

Bread Baker, Gracia & John Slater

Live Streaming, Doug Hanks

Vestry Counter, Brad Orvis

Pick up Michael,

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Regular Schedule at St. David's

Sundays

10:00-10:40 Bible Study in the Upper Room

11:00 In-Person and Facebook Live Holy Eucharist,

Rector in office

2nd Mondays at 5:30

Vestry in the *Gathering Place*

Tuesdays at 1 pm Women of a Certain Age (LOL) meet in the *Gathering Place*

Wednesdays

Episcopal Campus Ministry@WCU at 5:30

Thursdays at 1:30 pm Needlework/craft interest group

Last Sundays except December and May-August

Soup Supper



ST. DAVID'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

An Easy Volunteer Opportunity

Seeking a person to occasionally give Doug Hanks a break from live streaming the Sunday service. Full instruction in what to do will be provided, and it is remarkably simple to do. Just speak to Doug or [email him](#).

Beware of Scammers!

No member of the St. David's clergy or staff will ever contact the parish via email or text requesting money or gift cards! Please do not respond to or forward suspicious emails, and never give out your personal information to anyone over the internet or through email.

Lake Logan Events

<https://www.lakelogan.org/events/>

Securing Our Property

Please remember to lock any doors that you may have opened either upstairs or in the *Gathering Place* when you leave!

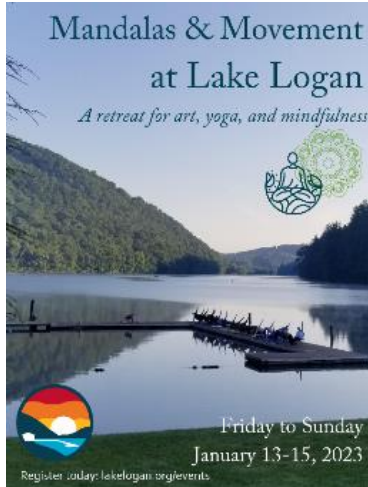
Beans & Rice

Donations of rice and beans may be left in the large containers behind the front doors of the church. They go to the Community Table and United Christian Ministries.



Church Membership Directory

Should you wish to have a directory emailed or mailed to you, please contact our parish administrator, Graydon Elliott, at info@stdavidscullowhee.org.



Prepare for a fresh, new year
Navigate physical & emotional changes
Change your career or lifestyle
Overcome life's unexpected obstacles
Treat yourself to some much-needed self-care

Instructors Mary How, an artist, board-certified art therapist, and emotional wellness coach, and Julie Mayson, a 500-RYT yoga instructor trained in hatha, kundalini, meditation, and kriya, will teach participants about the basics of mindfulness practices and the benefits of combining art and yoga movement for mindfulness. You'll learn practical mindfulness skills and leave feeling energetic, yet peaceful, about starting your own practice at home.

Snuggle into comfy, lakeside cabins and nourish yourself with healthy meals surrounded by the beauty of Lake Logan. Enjoy morning yoga breath work and heart opening classes and afternoon mandala journaling to create healthy practices that nourish your daily life.

This retreat is open to women and men, and all skill levels are welcome. To register, visit [lakelogan.org/events/](https://www.lakelogan.org/events/). Call 828.646.0095 or email info@lakelogan.org with questions.